

# The Surf Pines Breeze

The Association Newsletter for All Members

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The board meets on the third Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Keevers' home. April's meeting will be held on the 20th. If you wish to attend, please check with a board member to be sure there are no changes.

## TREES AND MORE TREES

In January we announced plans to clear Surf Pines Road of storm-damaged trees and to plant some seedlings as a start on a replacement program. Many old, broken trees have been removed (have you noticed?) and the rest will be as weather permits. Spring has arrived and so have 1000 new, small trees, supplied by the Forestry Department nurseries. Norma Keever's previous plea for helpers to plant them produced one volunteer. But of course that was the middle of winter. Who could think of planting trees in January? Now, though, the time has come. The first days for planting are just after Easter. We intend to carry on until the job is done and will appreciate and welcome all the help we can get. Although it sounds like a big task to set 1000 trees, Norma says that with many hands it should not take many hours and should be fun. So please call Norma and let her know when you are able to help, even if it's only for an hour or two.

## **SECURITY**

#### Gates

Recently there have been a few complaints that the gates do not respond when numbers are properly punched in. Ken has checked and reports that the gates are fine. He reminds us that if a wrong number is tried three times the gate will refuse it and will not function for three minutes, even if a correct number is then used. The gate will reject any other number tried during that time and will impose another three-minute wait. So be patient and then try again.

Another reminder: if you are having a special event, such as a large party or a sale, be sure to get a special gate code the week before the event. Do not give your personal number to anyone other than family and close friends. Be aware that the security the gates provide is endangered whenever unauthorized people can enter the gate at will.

If you are thinking of having a garage sale within the next few months, contact Norma Keever, who has a suggestion that might be a big help.

Speeding

A continuing concern to all of us are the individuals who put us at risk by speeding along our narrow streets and who seem oblivious of our 25-mile-an-hour limit. If you can identify a speeding car, by color, make and model, please let Ken or any board member know. Speeders can be cited to the sheriff. From time to time we now have sheriff's deputies on patrol through Surf Pines.

### **Burning Precautions**

As the season advances, we remind residents that with drier weather there are increased fire hazards. If you want to use a burn barrel to get rid of garden refuse, be sure to get a burning permit from the Forestry Department and abide by their guidelines. All the information you need is in the <u>Surf Pines Handbook</u>, along with a pamphlet that gives tips about precautions you can take against fire.

#### WILDLIFE

Along with the deer, elk and pheasant who share Surf

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Pines with us, there are apparently a few less welcome denizens. Some residents are worried about a pack of coyotes that have been seen on Ocean Drive. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says that, as predators, coyotes are not protected and can be trapped at any season. They do not attack large dogs and are frightened of people, but they might, if hungry, attack cats and they certainly favor pheasants.

An exotic fowl has turned up in Surf Pines recently in the form of a peahen. She has been sighted on Manion at the north end and again at the south. We hope the coyotes have not got wind of her.

While speaking of animals, we would remind residents that dogs should not be allowed to roam at large through Surf Pines and become a nuisance to others. Please keep your canines under your control.

## STREET LIGHTS

Two new street lights have been ordered for Ocean Drive, one at the intersection of High Surf and one for the junction of Malarkey and Ocean. They will be in keeping with those we have and should illuminate some dark areas.

#### DUES

Bills for the January-March quarter are going out. Please remember that payment is due on receipt. We would also remind those who have not paid earlier statements that Surf Pines cannot supply the services we all expect without your membership dues to pay for them. We are a non-profit corporation but not a charity and nothing, alas, is free in this world.

